



*The Collaborative
Outreach & Training
Committee Presents Free
Educational Seminars for
Family Members Caring
for Children and Adults
with Developmental
Disabilities*



*A Cooperative Partnership
between: Montgomery County
DHHS
Community Support Network
240-777-1216
240-777-1217 TTY,
The Arc of Montgomery County
301-984-5777
and
Jewish Social Service Agency
301-990-6880*

REGISTRATION FOR SEMINARS

Registration is required for all participants in the seminars. Registration assists the Committee with providing the necessary materials for each seminar and making them available to participants. To register, please call 240-777-1216. Please be sure to leave your name, phone number, and the title of the seminar you wish to attend. You will receive a confirmation phone call at the phone number you provide prior to the day of the seminar. **Due to fire code regulations the maximum number that can attend each seminar is 45 people.** Participants who do not register but arrive for the seminar will be admitted based on space availability.

CHECK IN AND SEATING

Check in and seating for all seminars is between 6:30 p.m.-6:45pm. All seminars will start promptly at 6:45 p.m. Out of consideration for our speakers, please plan to arrive no later than 6:30p.m.

LOCATION

*Department of Health & Human Services (DHHS)
401 Hungerford Drive, Rockville, MD 20850, First Floor—Tan Conference Room*

DIRECTIONS AND PARKING

DHHS is located 2 blocks north of the Rockville Metro stop along Route 355.

From the south: take 355 north through the intersection at Beall Avenue. The building is red brick with black windows and will be on your right, just beyond the Chevy Chase Bank.

From the north: take 355 south past Montgomery College and the Board of Education. Go through the traffic light at Washington Street (Giant Food store will be on the left). At the next light, turn left into the office building (#451) parking lot. Make an immediate right. The building is red brick with black windows and will be on your left.

Parking is free. Please park in the visitor parking spaces in front or around the sides of the building. There is additional visitor parking on the top level of the parking deck directly behind the building.

OTHER NEEDED SERVICES

If you need any aides or services to participate in this series, please contact 240-777-1216 at least one week prior to the seminar date.

CANCELLATIONS & WEATHER POLICY

In the event that a seminar is cancelled, a Committee staff person will call each registered participant and notify them of the cancellation. We are unable to notify participants of changes in the seminar without a phone number given during registration. Seminars will automatically be cancelled due to inclement weather when Montgomery County Public Schools are closed or dismissed early on the day of the seminar.

How to Get From Start to Finish: A Road Map of Services for Children With Disabilities

Tuesday, October 10, 2006

6:45 p.m.—8:45 p.m.

Presenters: Jamell White, LCSW-C, Shawn Lattanzio, Program Specialist/Transition Youth Specialist, Portia Willis, Program Manager, DHHS.

The presenters will provide information on steps to take during your child's life in order to access community resources and services for your child with developmental disabilities.

Registration begins September 11, 2006.

Please call 240-777-1216 by

Monday, October 9, 2006.

DDA Basics: State, Regional, and Local Overview

Tuesday, November 14, 2006

6:45 p.m.—8:45 p.m.

Presenters: Nancy Kirchner, State of Maryland Developmental Disabilities Administration.

Ms. Kirchner will present an overview of the State of Maryland's Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA). The seminar will explain the eligibility process, accessing services, types of services offered, rolling access funding, the Community Pathways waiver, and Resource Coordination.

Registration begins October 11, 2006.

Please call 240-777-1216 by

Monday, November 13, 2006.

Social Security Benefits

Tuesday, December 12, 2006

6:45 p.m.—8:45 p.m.

Presenters: Marlon W. Grande, Benefits Specialist from Independence Now.

The presenter will provide information on the difference between SSI and SSDI, how to incorporate Social Security work incentives into the transition plan, how work incentives can help a young person go to work and be self sufficient.

Registration begins November 15, 2006.

Please call 240-777-1216 by

Monday, December 11, 2006.

Social and Recreational Programs

Tuesday, January 9, 2007

6:45 p.m.—8:45 p.m.

Presenters: Charlie Butler, Recreation Specialist for Mont. County Dept. of Recreation, Carol Gulley, Director of Access Ability for Imagination Stage, Inc Julia Mack, Executive Director of Potomac Community Resources, Lesley Shear, Executive Director of Circle of Hope Therapeutic Riding, Inc., Pamela D. Yerg, Area Director Maryland Special Olympics.

The presenters will speak on social and recreational programs and options available in Montgomery County for children and adults with disabilities.

Registration begins December 13, 2006. Please

call 240-777-1216 by

Monday, January 8, 2007.

5 of Maryland's Waiver Programs

Tuesday, February 13, 2007

6:45 p.m.—8:45 p.m.

Presenters: Sharyn Boyle-King, Director of Care Management at The Coordinating Center David Cross, Mont. County Autism Waiver Coordinator, Angela Rapp Kennedy, Assistant Director of State and Federal Relations with DDA.

The presenters will provide information on Model Waiver, REM Waiver, Autism Waiver, Community Pathways, and New Directions Waiver Programs. The seminar will explain the eligibility process, accessing services, and types of services offered for each Waiver Program.

Registration begins January 10, 2006. Please

call 240-777-1216 by

Monday, February 12, 2007.

Housing Options and Home Modifications

Tuesday, March 13, 2007

6:45 p.m.—8:45 p.m.

Presenter: Susan Smith, Program Coordinator for Disability Services with the Housing Opportunities Commission, Jessie L. Greenholt, Director of CSLA Target Community & Educational Services, Dr. Kate Tulenko, Co-Founder and Executive Director of Living Solutions.

The presenters will provide information on housing options available in Montgomery County for children and adults with disabilities as well as options for home modifications.

Registration begins February 14, 2007. Please

call 240-777-1216 by

Monday, March 12, 2007.

Guardianship

Tuesday, April 17, 2007

6:45 p.m.—8:45 p.m.

Presenter: Barry Fierst, Esquire.

Mr. Fierst is a well known attorney in private practice, and is experienced in working with people with disabilities and their families. Formerly, he was the Executive Director of the Jewish Foundation for Group Homes for nine years. Mr. Fierst will present information on guardianship.

Registration begins March 14, 2007.

Please call 240-777-1216 by

Monday, April 16, 2007.

Sexual Predators/Sexual Abuse

Tuesday, May 8, 2007

6:45 p.m.—8:45 p.m.

Presenter: Lt. James Humphries, and Mr. Stuart R. Fishelman, Choices: A Better Way! Juvenile & Adult Sex Offender Treatment Program.

The presenters will provide information on sexual abuse and protecting oneself from sexual predators both in the community and the internet. The seminar will provide information on community safety and the management of sex offenders.

Registration begins April 18, 2007.

Please call 240-777-1216 by

Monday, May 7, 2007.